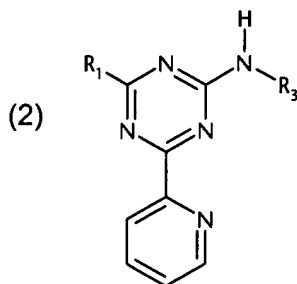


IN THE CLAIMS

1-3. (cancelled)

4. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 1, which corresponds to of formula



wherein

R₁ is C₁-C₄alkyl; and

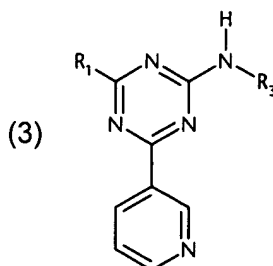
R₃ is C₆-C₂₀alkyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl; C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl; C₁-C₂₀alkyl-carbonyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl-carbonyl; or C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl-carbonyl.

5. (previously presented): A compound according to claim 4, wherein

R₁ is tert-butyl; and

R₃ is C₆-C₂₀alkyl.

6. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 1, which corresponds to of formula

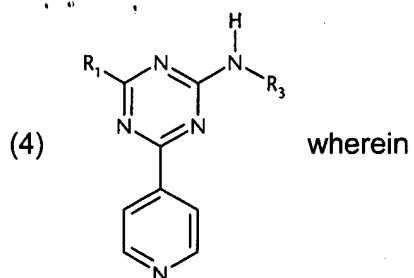


wherein

R₁ is C₁-C₄alkyl; and

R₃ is C₆-C₂₀alkyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl; C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl; C₁-C₂₀alkyl-carbonyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl-carbonyl; or C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl-carbonyl.

7. **(currently amended)**: A compound according to claim 1, which corresponds to of formula



R₁ is C₁-C₄alkyl; and

R₃ is C₆-C₂₀alkyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl; C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl; C₁-C₂₀alkyl-carbonyl; C₃-C₇cycloalkyl-carbonyl; or C₁-C₂₀perfluoroalkyl-carbonyl.

8-21. **(cancelled)**